

COUNTRY East Germany

REPORT

TOPIC Dresden-Klotzsche AirfieldEVALUATION 25X1 PLACE OBTAINED 25X1DATE OF CONTENT 25X1DATE OBTAINED 12 June 1953 DATE PREPARED

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REMARKS

1. The following air activity was observed at Dresden-Klotzsche airfield between 20 April and 17 May 1953:
- 20 April to 3 May: Mostly individual flights were made. Occasionally, an element of two Yak planes was observed flying at an interval of about 50 meters. Repeatedly, 6 to 8 Yak-11s took off at intervals of 1,000 to 1,500 meters, once circled widely over the field and then landed. The take-off and landings were made in the northern section of the field.
- 5 to 17 May: Eleven Yak-11s with white trailing edges on the rudder assemblies and red propeller hubs were observed at the field. On 5, 14 and 15 May, individual practice flights were mostly made and occasionally flights in elements of two and aerobatics were observed. On 14 May, a bus with 30 VP officers was seen at the field.
2. In the afternoon of 21 and 23 April, a column of about 20 trucks with air force soldier were engaged in driving school practice.
3. Motor vehicles entering and leaving the field included trucks with driver wearing black-bordered blue epaulets with
4. On 27 April, there was no air activity at the field. A Po-2 practiced flying after 9 p.m. on 28 April. VPL trained with Yak-11s between 6:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. on 29 April. No air activity was observed between 30 April and 2 May. On 27 April, a Soviet captain was chief of the VPL unit. the field will be vacated in the near future. However, it was not clear whether this referred to the Soviets or the VP.
5. In late April and early May, drivers' training was given.

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 Comment. The occupation of Dresden-Klotzsche airfield has not changed. The field is still occupied by the VPL unit from Bautzen, which is equipped with 10 to 11 Yak-11s, in addition to an unidentified air force unit and the motor vehicle distribution point with an attached driving school. It is believed probable that the VPL unit will return to Bautzen upon completion of improvement work at this field.

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